

**OLLI at UNL Advisory Council Meeting
Minutes
Monday, November 10, 2025, 9-10:30 a.m.
Nebraska Public Media Board Room**

Present: Audrey Paulman, David Dyke, Gary Timm, Helen Meeks, Mary Ann Losh, Jeanette Wellsandt, Jim McLoughlin, Nancy Mitchell, Suzanne Schied, Teri Hlava, Greg Jensen, Bob Michl, Jim VanKirk, Gene Stohs, Carol Myers, Patricia Crews

Absent: Charlyne Berens, Zakiyyah Mustafa

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. CST by Chair Jim VanKirk.

Agenda Changes - None

Approval of September 2025 Meeting minutes – The minutes were reviewed. Motion by David Dyke and second by Carol Myers to approve the minutes. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Report – Helen Meeks reported OLLI’s financial status remains solid. OLLI has a 7.5 month carryover amount (over \$300,000).

Director’s report – Bob Michl recognized Teri Hlava and Nancy Mitchell for outstanding opinion pieces promoting OLLI in local newspapers. He also recognized Greg Jensen, Mary Ann Losh, and Lynn Roper for their work in putting together the “Annual Ask” letters for this year. This year the ask will focus on donations to the Pillar Society. Bob also told the council his plan to stay on as director for a couple of extra months as the job advertisement for his replacement has yet to be posted.

CEHS Dean – Dr. Jeff Reese, Dean of UNL’s CEHS was present and provided brief comments about the college and the value of OLLI within the college. He then answered questions from the council.

Chair comments – Jim Van Kirk expressed his appreciation to Dr. Jeff Reese, CEHS Dean, for attending the meeting, sharing comments, and answering questions.

Old Business

Curriculum Report - Jeanette Wellsandt provided a curriculum report that displayed statistics of in-person, zoom, and all courses compared to the previous year. OLLI is having another outstanding year.

New Business - Updating of the Three-Year plan was postponed to next month due to time restraints. The council will use time at each of the next 3-4 months to complete the update with the plan to ratify the final draft in February or March of 2026.

Committee Reports

Carol Myer reported that trips planned by the OLLI Travel Committee are filling up fast. The Canada/New England cruise has 46 registered.

Next meeting: Monday, December 8, 2025, at 9:00 am, via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.